

**BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

In the Matter of the Revocation	)	<b>ORDER OF</b>
	)	
or Suspension of the Educator	)	<b>SUMMARY SUSPENSION</b>
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Certificate of Julius L. Campbell,	)	
	)	
Certificate 206978	)	

**SUMMARY OF THE CASE**

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on May 9, 2006. In accordance with S.C. Code Ann. §1-23-370(c) (2004), the State Department of Education (Department) requested that the State Board summarily suspend the expired educator certificate of Julius L. Campbell, certificate 206978, as a result of his arrest of Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor. The Department has reason to believe that, due to the nature of the allegations of misconduct against Mr. Campbell, he may pose a threat to the health, safety, or welfare of students that may be under his instruction. After considering the evidence presented by the Department, the State Board voted to summarily suspend Mr. Campbell's certificate until a due process hearing is held and/or this matter is otherwise resolved. The Department is directed to send a notice to Mr. Campbell of the summary suspension, as well as the possible suspension or revocation of his expired educator certificate, by certified mail, return receipt requested, delivery restricted to addressee.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

Mr. Campbell has an expired interim certificate. Mr. Campbell was originally in the alternative certification program during the 2001-02 school year, employed as a teacher with the Jasper County School District. At the time of Mr. Campbell's arrest, he was employed as a teacher's aide with the Beaufort County School District. The arrest warrant alleges that during

April and May 2005, Mr. Campbell digitally penetrated the vagina of a five-year old female who was in his care.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

"The South Carolina Board of Education may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person." S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-150 (2004). Just cause includes unprofessional conduct, immorality, crime against the law of this State or the United States and evident unfitness for position for which employed. S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (2004); 24 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-58 (1992). In accordance with S.C. Code Ann. § 1-23-370(c) (2004), "If the agency finds that public health, safety or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, and incorporates a finding to that effect in its order, summary suspension of a license may be ordered pending proceedings for revocation or other action." The State Board finds that there is reason to believe that Mr. Campbell may pose a threat to the welfare of students that may be under his instruction. Accordingly, the State Board thereby summarily suspends Mr. Campbell's certificate 206978 until a due process hearing is held and/or this matter is otherwise resolved.

South Carolina State Board of Education

By: /S/ Joe Isaac  
Joe Isaac, Chair

Columbia, South Carolina  
May 9, 2006